

REMARKS

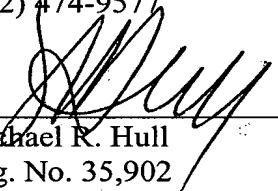
The above amendment clearly falls under the scope of Rule 312 as they are made for clarification purposes only. The scope of independent claims 1 and 15 is not altered by the above amendment. An early entry of this amendment is earnestly solicited.

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